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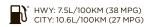


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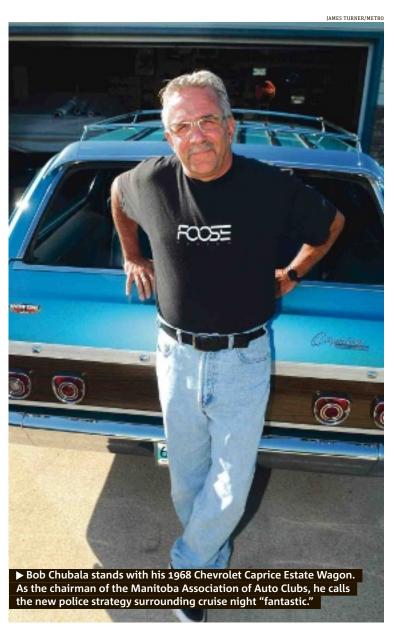


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Getting it right on cruise night

● 185 speeding tickets handed out Sunday ● One speeder doing 160 km/h in 80 km/h zone slapped with \$1,067 ticket Only three cruisers ticketed for equipment-related problems

Law-abiding car enthusiasts should have an easier time enjoying Sunday cruise nights in the city after a tumultuous summer last year led some vehicle buffs to

Although officers will still be out closely watching and conducting enforcement on cruise night, months of meetings between police and Manitoba car club brass have prompted a softer approach as law enforcement shifts to the carrot instead of the

Cruise night became a sometimes-fractious event last summer as complaints from the public about noise and street racing prompted a vehicle-inspection blitz by police and Manitoba Public Insurance.

The resulting fallout from the inspections led both sides to get together over the winter and try to come to an understanding.

"We hope to educate the public so that they know what's legal," Staff Sgt. Mark Hodgson said. "So that we don't have lots of people driving around with vehicles that have defective equipment or equipment that's going to cause your vehicle to be towed."

Police are also planning to hold "car clinics" so that enthusiasts can ask police questions.

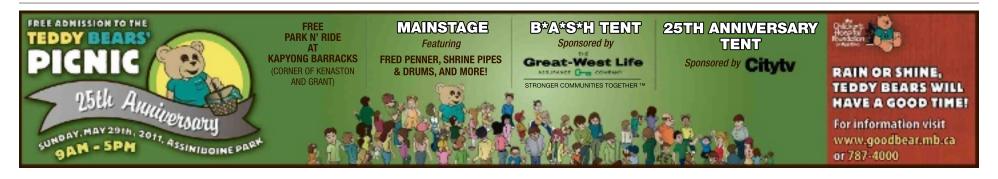
"It was a little over the top last year," said Bob Chubala, Manitoba Association of Auto Clubs chairman, of last summer's experience. "It was very threatening to the vehicle owner."

He called the announcement of the new police approach "fantas-

Chubala said many events held by car clubs benefit charities. Last year, many drivers stayed away out of fear of being eyed up by police. "(The charities) lost out big time," he said. JAMES TURNER



"We will be focusing on different areas to start with this year. And if we see a lot of equipment violations. we may have to go back to inspections. But right now that's not what we're going to be focusing on." STAFF SGT. MARK HODGSON







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Commodities are getting a rough ride on North American markets. What does that mean for investors? **Allan Small has** more at metronews.ca/ investing.



Flood to cost province \$175M

• Premier says the end of flood season is in sight Announces relief package and flood strategy

Manitobans affected by flooding, even those who didn't get wet, will receive \$60 million or more to cover everything from lost wages to landscaping fees.

Premier Greg Selinger says the compensation program is more generous than normal disaster aid packages and will be rolled out quickly.

"We expect to flow support to people within a matter of weeks," Selinger said yesterday.

The province will spend another \$115 million to repair damaged roads, dikes and other infrastructure. It will also raise or move hundreds of cottages along the swollen southern shore of Lake Manitoba and improve flood protection in Brandon and other hard-hit communi-

The money was welcomed, but the flood season has left some property owners with a feeling that the NDP government, which faces an election

Oct. 4, has mishandled this year's wet weather.

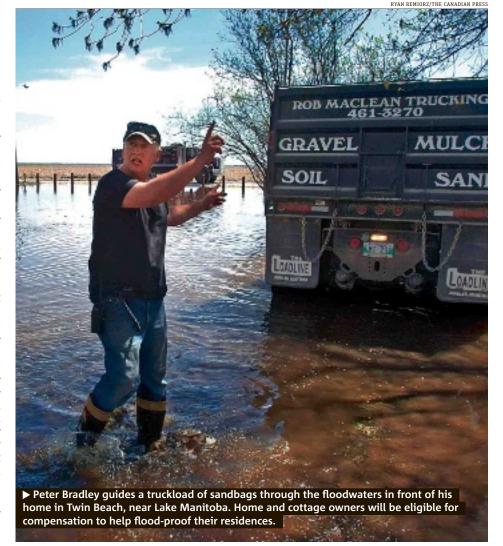
"The government has essentially converted our area into a flood plain," said Robin Carter, who lives less than a kilometre from the Hoop and Holler bend in the Assiniboine River, where the government cut a hole in a dike and intentionally flooded the area to prevent a bigger problem downstream.

"A lot of the folks here have a lot of equity built up in their house and are counting on that equity to support them in their retirement," Carter said.

Selinger promised to compensate people in certain areas above and befederal-provincial disaster assistance, which covers a limited number of items such as primary residences and 80 per cent of costs up to a maximum of \$200,000 per structure.

Some of the money is expected to come from Ottawa.

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TREADING WATER

Province announces flood plan

The three-part provincial strategy announced yesterday offers compensation for flood victims and anticipates the impact of future flooding.

Part 1: Mitigation

- \$20,000 per property to move or raise a home or cottage near Lake Manito-
- \$6.9 million to rehabili-
- tate the Portage Diversion • \$20 million to Brandon to provide protection for
- a one-in-300-year flood • \$20 million to refurbish Shellmouth Dam
- An extra \$15 million to extend Community Diking and Protection

• An extra \$20 million to triple the number of homes, businesses and farmlands under the protection of the Individual Flood Mitigation Program

Part 2: Economic stimulus Organizations that support rural economic development are eligible for a new economic recovery program that will provide a total of \$1 million

in funding, with a maximum of \$100,000 per organization, to support strategies that:

- Offset the impact of flooding for small and medium-sized businesses
- Hire local workers and use local suppliers
- Have projects directly related to restoration after the flood

Part 3: Help for farmers and families

where he will play his

- 100 per cent compensation for those flooded due to the Hoop and Holler Bend dike cut
- Compensation for lost wages, employment and business income and other expenses
- Financial assistance for damage to pastures and livestock infrastructure, damage to crops and crop land, and for reseeding land

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Man in custody after string of mailbox thefts

A man suspected of stealing from more than 40 mailboxes is under arrest.

Police say a man walked into dozens of apartment buildings and broke into the mailboxes. stealing various pieces of

Investigators from several crime units as well as Canada Post located the suspect, and he was

arrested on Toronto

Police also recovered stolen property and computer equipment.

Michael Roy Chief, 34, faces 39 counts of theft from mail and breaking and entering, and five counts of failing to comply with conditions of recognizance.

ELISHA DACEY

News in brief Frampton comes alive in

September BLAST FROM THE PAST. British rocker Peter Frampton is coming to

Winnipeg on Sept. 28 for a gig at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre,

most popular album, Frampton Comes Alive! in its entirety, along with newer songs. Frampton was one of the most popular arena rock stars in the 1970s. Frampton Comes Alive! sold more than six million copies in the United States alone, spawning such hits as Baby, I Love Your Way and Do You Feel Like We Do.

Ticket information is

not yet available. • METRO

Blink-182 coming in August

PUNK REVIVAL. Reunited rockers Blink-182 will play the MTS Centre Aug. 25 along with Rancid and Against Me as part of a Canadian tour. There's no word yet on tickets and prices.

NHL star's fight gains traction in Manitoba

NHL star Dany Heatley says he's owed more than a million bucks, and a top Manitoba judge may have made collecting that money a little easier.

Court of Queen's Bench Chief Justice Glenn Joyal has made an order allowing the San Jose Sharks forward to collect investment money he's been battling to get back from an Alberta company for the last six months.

Heatley, 30, paid Calgary-based NSEM Management Inc. more than \$1.2 million US in 2009 as a term deposit, according to court documents.

The terms of the arrangement were that the money would be repaid with six per cent interest last October, the documents state.

Despite Heatley's demands for payment of nearly \$1.4 million, the company has refused, according to a statement of



claim.

An Alberta court issued a default judgment against NSEM in mid-January after the company failed to defend against Heatley's allegations.

Alberta and Manitoba have a reciprocity agreement regarding the enforcement of court judgments.

It has been in place since 1950. • James Turner

City remembers cabbie's on-duty 'wonky' humour

Cabbie collected jokes — the bigger the groaner, the better ◆ Drove a cab in Winnipeg for 35 years ◆ Died last week of complications from liver failure



John Dradrach's love of the joke likely touched the lives of countless thousands of his customers even if they never knew his name.

And today, his widow and former colleagues are remembering the 62-yearold veteran Winnipeg taxi driver as an insightful man with a "wonky" comedic sense who went out of his way to get his fares laughing.

Dradrach died last week of complications from a liver failure.

Many in the city will remember rides with Dradrach.

His habit of entertaining fares by rattling off legions of one-liners during the ride made him known as "the joke of the day" cabbie.

"One of the first things that attracted him to me years ago was his sense of humour," said Donna McKendrick, his commonlaw wife.

McKendrick said Dradrach would also pass out so-called "joke sheets" to customers as they parted ways. The compilations were a labour of love, McKendrick said.

The criteria for keeping a joke was simple.

"If I fell down laughing, he'd keep it," McKendrick said.

Former colleagues said



Dradrach's skill with humour was one others would be hard-pressed to put into practice.

"It's a real rarity to be able to pull that off in the

"Why is it that when a man talks dirty to a woman it's sexual harassment, but when a woman talks dirty to a man it's \$3.99 a minute?"

A JOHN DRADRACH ONE-LINER

cab business," said former taxi driver John Gillis, who knew Dradrach for many years.

"I guess he must have drawn people to himself."

Joking aside, Gillis said Dradrach could also be extremely sensitive when considering people's situations and their interactions.

"There are people in the world who like to delve a little deeper, and I guess John was one of them," he said

Province accepts health review

The Manitoba government says it will accept all 44 recommendations from a review into a troubled health authority.

The investigation into the Nor-Man health

region, which includes Flin Flon and The Pas, was called last year.

There was also a public meeting where several hundred angry residents complained of long waits to see doctors, poor care and questionable oversight by the board.

Health Minister Theresa Oswald says the province has already begun an audit of the region's finances.

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Media company buys two local radio stations

K-Rock FM and CJKS 810 AM have been sold to Evanov Radio Group, an independent company that already owns CFJL-FM (106.1), which is set to launch this summer.

Bill Evanov, president and CEO of the group, said buying the two stations will give all three stations the best shot at success.

The stations will not change location and no layoffs are planned, said Evanov.

K-Rock FM changed formats recently from country station Hank FM after it failed to take away many listeners from current country radio kings QX 104. CJKS 810 has focused their programming on multi-language shows.

Carmela Laurignano, Evanov's vice-president, said there would be no format changes.

"We might tweak a few things here and there, but no, we will not be flipping the formats."

The sale of the stations from Newcap Inc. to Evanov is still subject to CRTC approval.

ELISHA DACEY





Compromises pledged

U.S. Congress gives Israeli PM standing ovations days after his dustup with Barack Obama • Netanyahu rejects 'indefensible' pre-1967 Mideast borders

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu pledged yesterday to make "painful compromises" for peace with the Palestinians, for the first time explicitly saying that some West Bank settlements would find themselves outside Israel's final borders.

He also tacked on a list of often-stated conditions that have been unacceptable to the Palestinians.

Speaking before a warmly receptive joint meeting of the U.S. Congress, Netanyahu said Israel wants and needs peace.

But he repeated his flat rejection of a return to what he called the "indefensible" borders that Israel had before the 1967 Middle East war.

He also restated Israel's refusal to repatriate millions of Palestinian refugees and their families to homes in Israel that they lost in fighting over the Jewish state's 1948 creation.

Netanyahu also maintained anew that contested Ierusalem could not be shared with the Palestinians, who want the eastern sector of the holy city as the capital of their hopedfor state. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Borders

- Israel, which enjoys strong bipartisan backing in U.S. Congress, has been rattled by President Barack Obama's support for drawing the future borders of a Palestinian state and a Jewish state on the basis of Israel's pre-'67 war frontiers. Benjamin Netanyahu has challenged Obama's position repeatedly, ignoring
- Obama's assertion that the territorial markers could be adjusted through agreed land swaps. The Palestinians accept that principle. In his speech before

Congress, Netanyahu backed off from his dispute



'Declaration of war'

Palestinian officials said the Israeli prime minister's parameters for a peace deal fell far short of what is needed to resume negotiations.

Nabil Shaath, an aide to Palestinian President

Mahmoud Abbas, said Benjamin Netanyahu's insistence on keeping key parts of the territories the Palestinians want for their state is a "declaration of war against the Palestinians."

The Islamic militant group Hamas also expressed criticism. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Chrysler drives its way out of giant debt load

Chrysler Group has paid off most of the bailout money it owed to the Canadian, Ontario and U.S. governments after they rescued the automaker from the brink of financial ruin two vears ago.

Chrysler returned \$7.6 billion, including \$1.8 billion in high-cost interest, yesterday, after the company filed for bankruptcy during the recession.

Chrysler said it has retired its original loans six years ahead of schedule.

The repayment came after the company sold bonds last week and took out a low-interest bank loan.

► Chrysler CEO Sergio Marchionne

Chrysler agreed to maintain about 20 per cent of its North American production in Ontario, where some 9,000 employees WOI'K. THE CANADIAN PRESS

u.s. car fleet

Revving up electric future

To boost the use of electric vehicles, the Obama administration is installing charging stations for government vehicles in Washington, Detroit, Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco.

The General Services Administration plans to buy 116 plug-in electric vehicles.

U.S. President Barack Obama has called for a one-third reduction in oil imports by 2025 and wants one million plug-in electric vehicles on the road by 2015. The move is expected to cut gas usage by almost 110,000 litres, saving taxpayers about \$116,000 and reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 257 metric tonnes.

Under a separate executive order, Obama has called on the federal government to reduce gasoline usage by federal vehicles 30 per cent by 2020

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Twister aftermath grim

The massive tornado that tore through Joplin, Mo., is now officially the deadliest single twister in the U.S. in nearly six decades with a death toll of at least

manager Mark City Rohr said yesterday that more than 750 people were injured. Nine people also have been recovered from debris.

Crews, taking advantage of the best weather they have had in two days, busted holes in concrete slabs and sifted through strewn home goods yesterday as rescuers focused on crumpled megastores and apartment complexes in a frantic search for more survivors.

team poked



through the remains of a home improvement store. while others searched a Wal-Mart and wrecked apartments as the clock ticked down on another round of severe storms.

A hunt through the rubusing search-andrescue dogs was planned, and officials tested the city's nine warning sirens while the sun was still

The Storm Prediction Center warned of severe weather starting yesterday afternoon in the central

Meteorologist David Imy said conditions were ripe for more tornadoes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Devastating storm

- The twister that hit Joplin on Sunday is the deadliest single tornado since the National Weather Service began keeping official records in 1950.
- It's the 8th deadliest single twister in U.S. history.
- The last tornado this deadly hit Flint, Mich., in 1953, killing 116.

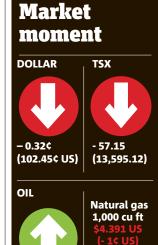
Loonie hit by Europe's debt load

The Canadian dollar was lower against the U.S. currency yesterday, amid another round of worry over the European debt cri-

"European developments continue to be major drivers of global markets," said a commentary from RBC Dominion Securities.

The latest developments sent investors scurrying to the safe-haven status of U.S. Treasuries Monday, and pushed the euro to an alltime low versus the Swiss franc. THE CANADIAN PRESS





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"(Harold)

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You would think Harold Camping would know when

to shut up already.
Camping is the 89-year-old evangelist from Oakland, Calif., who managed to con-

vince a lot of gullible people that the world was coming to an end Saturday (and it would have spoiled a long weekend, too).

Then, as Saturday dawned on Business as Usual, Camping compounded his cuckoo quotient by claiming it was a

mathematical error and the real end of the world is still coming Oct. 21.

Those people who sold all their worldly possessions to prepare for Apocalypse Now are stuck and will have to make it until Oct. 21 with just the clothes on their backs until they are saved, or taken up, or whatever.

Camping tried this trick before in 1994 and it didn't work then either. Same problem — mathematical error.

Camping may be one heck of a preacher, but he should consider remedial math.

Still, it's hard to blame Camping. He's a fire and brimstone evangelist who predicts the end of the world. It comes with the job description. When you're a hammer, everything looks like a nail. When you're a doomsayer, everything looks like doom.

And we in the media are complicit, promoting Camping's Grand Delusion with unseemly glee, lending credence to an old man's lunatic ravings.

As a story, it's been just too much fun to pass up. And I'm sure I wasn't alone

as I opened my eyes Saturday morning and looked around with just a touch of smug relief.

Still here.

Cautionary note: Just because it's a bunch of baloney doesn't mean it's not going to happen. Stars explode every day; asteroids plow into planets. And come Oct. 21, we could be the victims of a cataclysmic coincidence, and there is Camping saying "I told you so" as he gets taken up. "Next time, you'll listen. Oops, my bad. There is no next time.'

The truth is (and I can't believe I need to say this) whatever does or does not happen to the world Oct. 21 will have nothing to do with some old guy from Oakland. There are 170-billion galaxies in the known universe and each galaxy has between 200-billion and 400-billion stars. It's more than a little difficult to believe that God will point a big old finger at the tiny third planet circling around one of those 400-billion stars and say "That's it, folks. Rapture time!" She is simply too busy to correct Harold Camping's bad math.

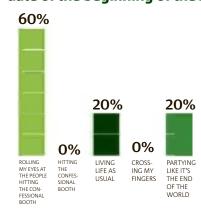
Hallelujaĥ, I say.

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How did you spend May 21, the prophesied date of the beginning of the Apocalypse?



Local tweets



@jodiee_: It feels like it's October out. instead of the

end of May. I was enjoying the warmth way too much last week. #Winnipeg

- **@jenncaseyhfx:** Despite the lack of announcement about the jets *cough cough Stephen Brunt* Winnipeg Mayor Sam Katz says deal is "imminent" @tylerpaziuk: Gas is too
- expensive! I'm getting Jets season tickets!
- @Kurchenko: There is a Conan Documentary about his tour. I cannot wait. Cannot wait.

- @CatsKillTheKing: I wonder if Queen Elizabeth plays poker?
- ▶ @Ama_Hope: Most productive day ever. I'm definitely a fan of four-day weekends!
- ► @KristenGroen: Ok #Winnipeg please warm up for Monday!!! I'm coming home!
- @madfishmonger: I think for #oprah's last show she should encourage vaccination, trust in critical thinking, and also send me to college. Or Bermuda.
- @sahraa_pooww: ; i feel like crying. Oprah is gunna be gone :(

Worth mentioning

ASUNCION, Paraguay. The Asuncion zoo is desperately seeking a mate for Coco, the last known male of his species left in Paraguay.

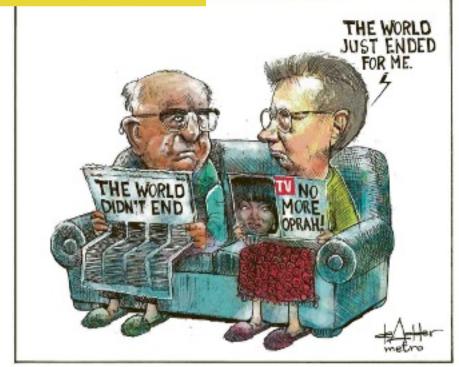
Coco is an endangered hyacinth macaw, known in Paraguayan Spanish as a "papagayo azul." Scientists estimated several years ago that only 6,500 were left in the wild, mostly in an area of neighbouring Brazil that is quickly losing natural habitat for the birds.

Capturing and exporting the Macaws is illegal and Coco was sent to the zoo eight years ago after authorities broke up a gang of animal traffickers. Only recently did a DNA test show he is male, zoo veterinarian Cristiane Rainner said.

To avoid mixing species, the zoo has had to keep him apart from other Macaws, which has left him lonely and a bit bored, Rainner said. "He's quite sociable,

although he's only learned to say 'hello.' But when he hears the cumbia he dances," Rainner said. "The hyacinth macaw is a beauty, but if it doesn't reproduce, that'll be it. Coco is a male and his life expectancy is 80 years." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cartoon by Michael de Adder



Stealth chopper at night is optional

The official tourist map for Abbottabad, Pakistan, urges visitors to discover its "hidden" treasures. Some think that should include a peek behind the infamous walls of Osama bin Laden's compound.

It makes sense to the deputy head of the tourism office. The threestorey villa is known around the world. Abbottabad is already popular as an alpine escape from the summer heat. And a museum at the last stand of the al-Qaida leader could mine some long-term cash from the town's instant brush with notoriety.

It's not a universal view by any stretch. Many want to demolish the building to try to recapture Abbottabad's ambiance as a quiet corner in a chaotic country.

But those contemplating some way to profit from the May 2 raid that killed bin Laden seem to know there is a well-established market for infamy. The Tower of London — and its sometimes role as a prison and execution hall — is one of the city's main tourist draws. Tours abound for everything from Hollywood tragedies to the trail of the Boston Strangler.

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Box office



With its themes of adoption and family, Kung Fu Panda 2 was a big hit in the Jolie-Pitt household and not just because Angelia Jolie is one of the stars of the film. Jolie says her kids connected to the story of Jolie's character, Tigress, who is shown in an orphanage. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Daniel Radcliffe, Catherine Zeta-Jones and Chris Rock to help on Tony Awards night

The highs and lows of O

• Oprah Winfrey's last show airs today so what better time to look back at her TV career

And it was good...

Super-Oprah comes into the world on January 29, 1954 in Kosciusko, Mississippi.

Oprah gets her start, meets Gayle

After three years of anchor news reporting, in 1976, Winfrey hosts the six o'clock news at Baltimore's WJZ-TV, where she meets future bestie-for-life, Gayle King, who was working there as a production assistant.



The Color Purple

Winfrey stars as Sofia in Steven Spielberg's The Color Purple in 1985 and scores a Best Supporting Actress nod by the Academy

The big break

Since her move to Chicago in 1983, Winfrey was hosting a localized version of what was to become The Oprah Winfrey Show, which first nationally broadcast on September 8th, 1986.

The Emmys

In 1987, Winfrey receives her first of more than 45 Daytime Emmy Awards that she would collect before removing the show from consideration in 2000.

The weight struggles

Winfrey starts what would become a 20-plus year public discussion about her weight fluctuation with the Diet Dreams Come True episode of November 15, 1988, in which she is a slim size 10.



The engagement that would last a lifetime

In 1992, Oprah Winfrey gets engaged to businessman Stedman Graham — whom she has yet to actually marry.

The Queen of Daytime and the King of Pop

In 1993, it was only Winfrey who could get the pale Michael Jackson to explain that he had not bleached his skin, but that he had skin-pigment disorder known as vitiligo. This was to become one of her highest rated episodes, with 62 million viewers watching.

The Oprah Book Club

Oprah Winfrey launches her book club in 1996. More than 60 selections have instantaneously earned a lucky author boatloads of money and an immediate spot on the New York Times' Best Seller List.

Forming an empire and defending free speech

In 1998, Winfrey forms Oxygen Media, which would spawn the Oxygen cable channel. In the same year, she wins a "food disparagement" case against Texas cattlemen after her comments in a 1996 episode about Mad Cow Disease.



Winfrey expands her reach with O Magazine, which offers advice on personal finance, fitness and spiritual wellness.



leaving but her self-help posse remains: Dr. Phil debuted in 2002, Rachael Ray in 2006, The Dr. Oz Show in 2009 and The Nate Berkus Show just last year.



"You get a car!"

On September 12, 2004, Winfrey shocked the audience: Each one of those lucky, well-deserving, loyal jerks got a Pontiac G6 — 276 in all. In November 2010, she gave away VW Beetles.

Tom Cruise gets excited talking about Katie Holmes Remember May 23, 2005? According to the Urban Dic-

Remember May 23, 2005? According to the Urban Dictionary "jump the couch" is "a defining moment when you know someone has gone off the deep end."

Opens school in South Africa

The Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for Girls debuts in January 2, 2007, lauded by humanitarians, and nearly overshadowed when a female employee is later accused of molestation.

Denies being gay

After years of dogged rumours about her sexuality, and questions about her relationship with friend Gayle King, Winfrey opens up to Barbara Walters in December 2010. "I'm not lesbian. I'm not even kind of lesbian," she said, soon tearing up while praising King. "She is ... the mother I never had. She is ... the sister everybody would want."

Launches OWN network

On January 1, 2001, an entire network launches devoted to Winfrey's self-help philosophy. The buzz is high but the ratings soon drop, and Winfrey vows to focus more on the programming when her syndicated show ends.



Shriver had to be talked 'off the ledge'

• Schwarzenegger's wife wanted to hold embarrassing press conference

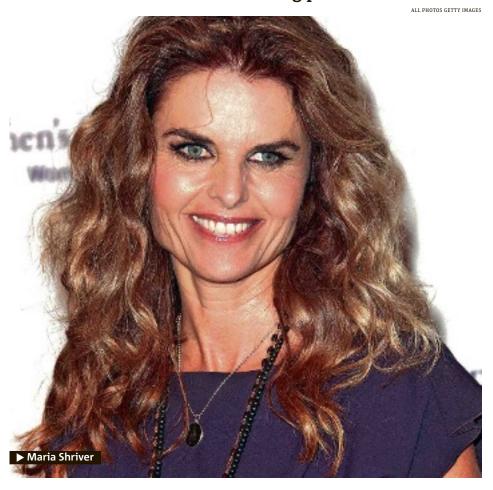
Maria Shriver was reportedly so enraged after learnabout Arnold Schwarzenegger's illegitimate child that she instructed her team to leak word of it to the press, according to TMZ.

And apparently Shriver initially wanted to hold a press conference to unveil the scandal, but, "Maria's friends talked her off a ledge and a plan was eventually hatched to leak the details to the L.A. Times and TMZ," a source says.

Shriver reportedly didn't learn about the full extent of her husband's indiscretions until late April or early May, days before the news went public.

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non-biblical revelation SHE WAS BETRAYED. Lady

Gaga admits her new single, Judas, has some very non-biblical origins.

Talking points

Gaga's Judas a

"I've had a lot of exboyfriends betray me," she tells MTV.

"I began to write a song about an ex-lover who betrayed me, who loved heavy metal music. And then I thought about the biblical implications and how Judas was the betrayer.

Coincidentally, the singer recently announced she'd split with heavy metal drummer Luc Carl, whom she'd also dated and broken up with before

broken up hitting it big.
"I thought a more liberating way to tackle the message of the song tack the idea by

Celebrity tweets



tea, good morning ...

07

you sleep well? Man, this feels so one sided.



about 2 take nap... Whats the deal?!? Oh yeah, I'm pregnant"

@AlbertBrooks

"God I miss the rapture jokes. I hope there's another one soon."

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"People should have known that Arnold

Schwarzenegger was this kid's father. By age 2 and 1/2, he was benchpressing the pediatrician."

saying my ex betrayed me and this person haunts me, but I forgive them," Gaga says.

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Taking January down a notch

January Jones may have called Zach Galifianakis the funniest man she's ever met, but as Galifianakis tells it, she wasn't quite as friendly during their first meeting.

"I sit at her table and talk for 10 minutes, and she goes, 'I think it's time for you to leave now," Galifiankakis tells ShortList.

"So I say, 'January, you

"She goes, 'I think it's time for you to leave now."

ZACH GALIFIANAKIS ON JANUARY

are an actress in a show and everybody's going to forget about you in a few years, so f--ing be nice,' and I got up and left.'



Leo's Lively lover rumours persist

Leonardo DiCaprio and Blake Lively are doing nothing to quell speculation that they're fostering a romance.

The pair jetted off to Portofino, Italy together over the weekend after

turning heads at the Cannes International Film Festival. according to Hollyscoop.

DiCaprio and Lively "seemed happy in each other's company" were "laughing and walking" together, says an eye witness who spotted the pair in Italy.

While in Cannes, Di-Caprio entertained Lively during a party on a private





Travel in brief



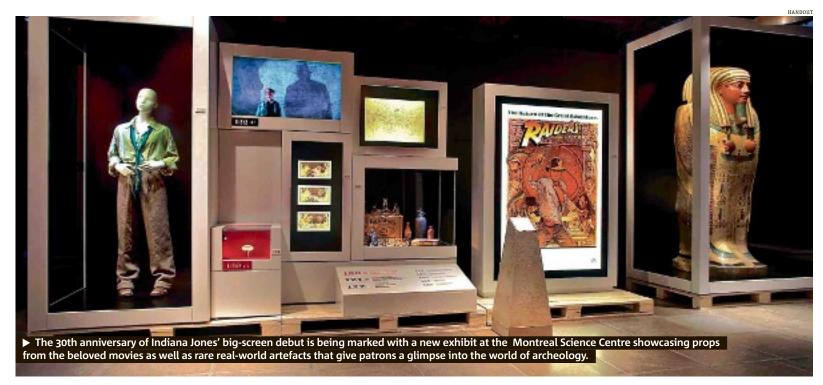
George Lucas figures he's working on his third generation of Star Wars fans.

And plenty of them were stand-ing in line with their parents Friday to get first crack at Walt Dis-ney World's overhauled ride based on the iconic movie franchise.

The 67-year-old Star Wars creator came to the park to celebrate the reopening of the venerable Star Tours motion simulator ride whose 25-yearold story and visuals have been updated with a digital projection sys-tem and 3-D effects. The Disneyland version of the ride opens June 3 in Anaheim, Calif. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Indiana brings his goodies to Montreal

Items from the four Indiana Jones movies go on display at Montreal Science Centre Exhibit aims to raise interest in archaeology and celebrate the 30th anniversary of franchise

melded together in a new exhibit in Montreal's Old Port, which celebrates intrepid archeologist Indiana Jones 30 years after he burst onto the big screen with feats of daring and the crack of a bullwhip.

Visitors to Indiana Jones and the Adventure of Archeology at the Montreal Science Centre are welcomed by a bilingual message from no less than Harrison Ford. brought Indy to life in the movies beginning with Raiders of the Lost Ark in

Jones' fabled leather jacket, fedora and bullwhip are among the first things people see when they walk into the show, which has enough props and real relics to tickle the most diehard fan.

"We're using the character of Indiana Jones as an invitation to discover what the world of archeology is today as well as what the world of archeology was in the past," said Genevieve



Angio-Morneau, one of the show's creators.

The original Raiders remains one of the top-grossing films of all time and was followed by three sequels and a TV series, The Young Indiana Jones Chronicles. There have also been comic books and video games with the character.

Angio-Morneau, a designer and museologist with Montreal's X3 Productions, says the idea for the show came from Lucasfilm when it saw the success of Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull, which came out in 2008.

"Lucasfilm realized that there was a lot of attention and that he was still very famous, a well-loved characshe said. "Lucasfilm has all these amazing objects in their archives so I guess they quickly put one and one together and said it's time to let these objects leave the archives and have them tour the world."

The Hollywood filmmakers found kindred spirits in X3 Productions for the show, which comes as the

film franchise marks its 30th anniversary.

Raiders of the Lost Ark.

· The Chachapoyan fertility idol from

The exhibit pays lavish tribute to the movies, with a selection of iconic props including the Ark of the Covenant from the first movie, a life-sized sarcophagus from the Well of Souls and a crystal skeleton from Akator on its throne.

The Montreal exhibit is the show's premiere and after it wraps up on Sept. 18, it will tour in Europe and Asia. Montreal is the only Canadian stop.

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If you go ...

- Address: Montreal Science Centre, King Edward Pier, Old Port of Montreal, corner of de la Commune Street and St-Laurent Boulevard.
- Price: \$23 for adults, \$20 for teens and seniors. Children aet in for \$13.50.
- Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Friday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday
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A new way to see L.A.

For many Los Angeles locals — such as myself, born and raised in the crosshairs of Hollywood — avoiding the Hollywood Walk of Fame and its throngs, celebrity impersonators and tchotchke stores comes with jaded Angeleno territory.

But there I was on a recent spring day, tourist-chic in a wide-brimmed hat, navigating the area on a red double-decker tour bus and enjoying the heck out of myself, with the help of City Sightseeing's iPhone app.

The free app for your iPhone or Android phone is a worldwide app for multiple cities that host City Sightseeing tour buses. The City Sightseeing app for Los Angeles coincides with local Starline Tours' Hop-on, Hop-off Double Decker City Tour, featuring routes in Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Santa Monica and downtown L.A.

The app allows you to buy tickets for the bus tours and get information on where and what the stops are. There's also a way to email "postcards" of pictures taken during the tour.

"The City Sightseeing mobile app delivers a pioneering solution, with many features and functions, across a multi-platform solution that no other travel company has, especially other bus and coach operators," said Mandy Gaughan, City Sightseeing's director of marketing and sales. "The app consumed all the technology that the smartphones had available,

If you go ...

Starline Tours: City Sightseeing Hop-On Hop-Off double-decker buses offer four loops with various points of interest. The Red Route loop to Hollywood and Beverly Hills stops at the Kodak Theatre, Rodeo **Drive and Sunset Strip** among other landmarks. Tickets good for 24 hours, adults. US\$35: children ages 3 to 11, US\$20. Tickets good for 48 hours, adults, US\$50, children, US\$30. starlinetours.com. city-sightseeing.com.

including, GPS, camera, video, audio."

Once the app is down-loaded from iPhone's or Android's app store (search for City Sightseeing), and the city location is selected, a home screen comes up with tabs to book tours, look at photos of various tourist hotspots, send postcards and scroll through guides listing stops and tour details.

I chose, through the L.A. app, to try out some stops on Starline's Hop-On, Hop-Off Blue Route, which goes from Grauman's Chinese Theatre on the Walk of Fame to nearby Universal Studios, and on the Red Route, which stretches from the Walk of Fame all the way to swanky Beverly Hills and back. You can change routes on the guide page by pressing a plus sign next to the route name. Clicking on a freeway-type symbol below that, next to "Viewing Stop," shows a list



▶ A group of tourists as they ride the Starline Tours' Hop-on, Hop-off Double Decker City Tour bus during a bus tour in the Hollywood section of Los Angeles. The City Sightseeing app for Los Angeles coincides with local tour line Starline Tours' Hop-on, Hop-off Double Decker City Tour, featuring routes encompassing Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Santa Monica and .A.

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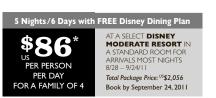
After getting the hang of it, I scrolled through multiple points of interest listed for each route. Each stop lists different landmarks and attractions, such as the Comedy Store and Sunset Strip for stop No. 4 on the Red Route, in West Hollywood.

Jumping on the open-top two-tiered Red Route bus at its first stop, Grauman's, I was happy to find that 12 area points of interest, from the historic Egyptian Theater to the Hollywood Guinness World of Records Museum, were listed, each with concise summaries. An automated tour broadcast in English and American accents from speakers on the bus added even more tidbits of information and celebrity-filled anecdotes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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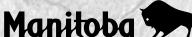
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Turn off the oven, welcome salad season

This Italian Bean Pasta Salad combines pasta shells, three types of beans and a simple-to-make dressing





Serve this as a side dish, salad or main course. The beans and pasta form a complete protein, so it's perfect for the vegetarian. Use any combination of canned cooked beans you

Preparation:

Cook pasta in boiling water according to package directions, or until firm to the bite, about 10 minutes. Rinse with cold water. Drain and place in a serving bowl.

Ingredients: Salad

- 12 oz medium shell pasta • 2 1/2 cups chopped plum tomatoes
- 3/4 cup diced green bell pepper
- 3/4 cup diced red onion 2/3 cup each canned red
- kidney beans, white kidney beans, chickpeas, drained
- ½ cup light feta cheese
- 1/3 cup fresh chopped basil or parsley

Dressing

- 1/4 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 3 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 Tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 2 tsp crushed fresh garlic
- 2 1/2 tsp dried basil
- 1 1/2 tsp dried oregano

Add tomato, green pepper, onion, red and white kidney beans, chickpeas, crumbled feta cheese and basil to

For the dressing, combine the lemon juice, oil, vinegar, garlic, basil and oregano in a small bowl. Mix well. Pour the dressing over the pasta and toss.

Coleslaw with Thai-Stype Dressing, Cranberries & Apricots

Here's a coleslaw that will be the hit of your next gettogether.

Preparation:

- Combine green and red cabbage, snow peas, red pepper, green onion, cranberries and apricots in bowl; mix.
- For the dressing, whisk the coconut milk, cilantro, fish sauce, brown sugar, lemon juice, garlic, ginger and jalapeño together in a

small bowl. Pour the dressing over the cab-

Ingredients:

Salad

- 3 cups each thinly sliced green and red cabbage
- 1 cup sliced snow peas
- 1 cup sliced red bell pep-
- 1/2 cup chopped green onion
- 1/3 cup each dried cranberries and dried apricots Dressing

- bage mixture and toss to coat. ROSE REISMAN
- 1/3 cup light coconut • 1/3 cup chopped cilantro
- or parsley • 2 tsp fish or oyster sauce
- 2 tsp brown sugar
- 1 Tbsp freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1 tsp minced fresh garlic
- 1/2 tsp minced fresh gin-
- 1 tsp minced jalapeño peppers (seeded)





Top-seeded Nadal survives first-round scare at French Open

Rafael Nadal excelled when he needed to most, winning the final two sets against John Isner yesterday to advance to the second round at the French Open with a 6-4, 6-7 (2), 6-2, 6-4 victory.

The five-time champion, who is now 39-1 at Roland Garros, played a five-set match at the tourney for the first time in seven visits. "Tough, tough moments for me," Nadal said. "I played too nervous, in my opinion."

"Tough, tough moments for me," Nadal said. "I played too nervous, in my opinion." The No. 1-seeded Nadal is trying to equal Bjorn Borg's record of six French Open titles. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bombers OK with NHL return

• 'It'll be very workable for us as a club and we look forward to that,' says president of CFL club

The Winnipeg Blue Bombers are looking forward to facing opponents this season — even if that includes an NHL team.

Bombers president Jim Bell believes there are enough sports dollars to go around if Winnipeg-based True North Sports and Entertainment completes a deal to buy the NHL's Atlanta Thrashers and move them to Manitoba.

"Will there be an impact of the NHL returning to Winnipeg? There may be," Bell said during a media conference call.

"But our feeling within

As good as gone?

The Atlanta Thrashers' sale and move to Winnipeg is not official, but Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed talked yesterday as if losing the team is inevitable.

the management of the Winnipeg Football Club is there is room for three (professional sports teams) in the city of Winnipeg."

He noted the Bombers, who finished last in the CFL last season, had sold just over 17,800 season tickets "It is going to hurt the city but we will withstand it just fine and we will get through it," Reed said.

NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly said in an email to The Associated Press last night that "no agreement has been reached."

up to yesterday. Last year's total season-ticket count was just under 17,800.

"We feel that with the partnership that we have with our community as a whole, we don't feel threatened." said Bell.

True North has been qui-

etly negotiating with the Thrashers about moving the team north of the border, a deal Winnipeg Mayor Sam Katz says is just "a matter of time."

Winnipeg has been without an NHL team since the Jets moved to Phoenix and became the Coyotes in 1996.

Robert Warren, a marketing professor at the University of Manitoba, doesn't foresee a huge shift of Bomber fans turning to support an NHL team.

"It's going to be a very limited impact," Warren said. "I base that on the fact that back in the '80s and '90s we had an NHL and a CFL team here and I don't think they saw a lot of problems at that point."

Where Warren does see potential for an NHL team to take ticket dollars away from the Bombers is if the CFL team doesn't perform well on the field and walk-up fans choose hockey instead.

Warren said a new stadium to replace aging Canad Inns Stadium in 2012 puts the Bombers in a "good position in the near term to combat that."

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Aching Tiger may miss U.S. Open primer

Tiger Woods says he'll be ready to go for the U.S. Open.

Good thing there's time to get healthy.

Woods hasn't hit a ball in about two weeks. He needs crutches and a walking boot for relief on his aching left leg and won't start leg training until the end of next week.

But Woods expects to tee off at the U.S. Open June 16-

19 in Bethesda, Md.

"You just play through these things," Woods said.

He is bothered by pain in his left knee, left Achilles tendon, tightening in his calf, and has a sore lower back. Woods says doctors have not mentioned leg surgery. But he doubts he'll play the Memorial next week in Dublin, Ohio.

How his leg responds when he starts training next week will determine when he can start hitting balls again — all but ruling out the Memorial.

That means Woods would go to the U.S. Open with little competition.

"I've had four surgeries on it," Woods said. "Obviously, it's not what it was when I was little."

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For example, the best that either the V8-powered Range Rover or its Range Rover Sport relation can muster is 17.3 l/100 km in the city and 11.2 on the highway. Although the Evoque's actual numbers have yet to be published, its 240horsepower 2.0-litre turbocharged four-cylinder, sourced from Ford, will be a relative gas miser.

Two sturdy styles

When ogling the attractive two- and fourdoor body styles, it's difficult to believe that the Evoque is the real deal when tackling the kind of off-road terrain that made its iconic ancestors so desirable.

With its short front and rear overhang and ample ground clearance, the odds of becoming hung up on uneven terrain or stuck in some muddy bog would seem re-

Traction

Traction is supplied by a full-time allwheel-drive system with an electronically controlled centre differential that varies torque between the front and rear wheels depending on where the grip is greatest.

The Evoque's underpinnings can be supplemented with an adjustable Adaptive Dynamics option that offers either a soft or firm (sporty) ride.



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"Sleek" and "sporty" are terms that don't usually describe any Land Rover product, but the upcoming Range Rover Evoque constitutes a maior change of course for Britain's storied off-road brand.

Its lack of formality and boxy practicality runs counter to a marque that cut its teeth tearing through the jungles of Botswana and Borneo, roaming the plains of the Serengeti and traversing blistering Sahara the sands.

But that's exactly the point.

Many of Land Rover's steeds spend their lives in urban settings and are rarely, if ever, tested anywhere near the limits of considerable

durance.

Although the Evoque arrives this fall in multi-terrain-capable condition. high style at a good price is where this Range Rover really shines.

The Evoque appears more like a sport wagon derivative of a compact passenger car, especially in two-door livery.

It's slightly shorter than a Hyundai Tucson, Ford Escape, or Jeep Patriot and about 45 centimetres shorter than a Range Rover Sport.

As well, with its steeply raked windshield and tapered roofline, it can also lay claim to being one of the slinkiest, wind-cheating-est rigs around.

With a starting price in the \$50,000 range, the Evoque should provoke fresh patrons to consider a Range Rover to carry them down a decidedly different





Land Rover claims that the Evoque will accelerate to 100 km/h from zero in 7.6 seconds, no doubt aided by some significant weight-reducing measures that include the use of plastic front fenders and rear liftgate, aluminum hood and roof panels plus various suspension components.

Evoque

What you should know about the 2012 Range **Rover Evoque:**

- Types: Two-/four-door allwheel-drive compact sport utility vehicle.
- Engine (hp): 2.0-litre DOHC 14, turbocharged (240).
- Transmission: Six-speed automatic.
- Stats: L/100 km (city/hwy) 11.5/8.5 (est.).



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By comparison

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A well-chosen set of alloy rims fitted with aggressive tires looks awesome. And because they are lighter, stronger, and put

more and stiffer rubber on the road than your stock pieces, your vehicle's handling dynamics will substantially improve as well. It's a no-brainer.

But before you jump in the pool, may we suggest these safety tips, gleamed from our conversation with Param Johl, owner and operator of Megawheelz in Mississauga, Ont., (megawheelz.com).

Megawheelz stocks over 5,000 wheels at any given time. The staff sees a lot of wheel consumers, from serious customizers, to those contemplating their first wheel upgrade.

When they see those in the latter group, staff often start the consultation process with a reality check. Johl notes that 20inch and larger wheels are certainly in vogue and captivating, but that doesn't mean they should go on everything, particularly smaller cars.

"People see these large rims on the SUVs and trucks of their buddies and want them for their vehicles too ... but if they have a small car, we have to explain that it is just not going to work for them.

For one thing, a small car will need sheet metal and other modifications to accommodate 20inchers. For another, huge rims necessitate extremely low profile tires, and that combination, while visually overthe-top, means the vehicle will ride hard —

on wheels of So unless you're

very hard -

like you're riding

building a show car, or a hobby car for occasional preening around the 'hood, forget about "Dub" wheels. (Dub became the famous short form of "double dime," a cooler way of referring to tires that are 20 inches or larger.)

For a dai-

driver, Johl suggests "plus one" or "plus two" sizing. For a vehicle that comes stock with 15-inch wheels, that means upgrading to 16-inch or 17-inch wheel/tire sets. The rims are bigger and more beautiful, but by fitting them with tires with shorter sidewalls (called low-profile tires), the new tire is able to retain the same diameter as the original one.

This is crucial. because over-sized wheels/tires can cause problems with suspension travel, and various computer systems for braking, shifting and instrumentation. There is a bewil-

dering array of wheel designs out there. While the big brands, (American Racing, Foose, O.Z., etc.) continue to set the fashion pace, many smaller brands have

entered the market, offering cheaper takes on hit designs and cool designs of their own. Many websites have 3-D configurators, so you can visualize your ride with all the possibilities. Johl noted that matte, anodized and painted finishes are currently popular. But he adds that the king of bling, chrome, continues to have its fans, even though the chroming process adds considerable weight to an alloy wheel.

A good quality alloy wheel set, with good quality rubber, from a reputable and professional wheel shop, will set you back about \$1,100 to \$1,200.

You can pay more of course, or less. Like your choice of design, it's all up to you. Express yourself. Then roll slowly through the neighbourhood, with the window down and a face that says, "Don't hate us because we're beautiful."

Keeping just the right temperature

luxury cars, and features chrome stainless steel lip.

• The Ford Focus Electric uses thermal management technology on batteries

DRIVING **FORCE**

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Batteries are a lot like people: they don't function as efficiently if they're too cold or too hot. With an allelectric vehicle, keeping the battery at its optimum temperature helps to improve charging and increase the vehicle's range.

For its upcoming Focus Electric, scheduled to launch in Canada next year, Ford uses thermal management technology, a liquid heating and cooling system that works when the car's lithium-ion battery is plugged in and charging at a wall socket.

"Batteries like to stay around 20 to 30C," says Sherif Marakby, director of electrification programs and engineering for Ford.

The performance of a cold battery is worse than a

Ford's system uses a mixture of water and antifreeze that circulates across the cells inside the battery pack. It's sealed, so owners don't have to check it or top it up. It's also engineered for safety. The water flows through separate channels across the battery surface, and goes nowhere near the terminals or any electrical components.

Depending on the outside temperature, the system uses either a heating element to warm the fluid, or a heat exchanger to cool it, along with a pump to circulate it. Once the vehicle is plugged in to charge it, the system determines if the battery needs to be heated or cooled. If so, it then activates, getting its power strictly from the wall out-

"It only happens while it's charging," Marakby says. "We manage that automatically, so the customer doesn't have to do anything. They just plug in the vehicle. In extreme

Coming soon

The Ford Focus Electric will be built in Michigan and is scheduled to go on sale in Canada in 2012.

temperatures, whether it's too hot or too cold, the chemistry and the battery cells have limitations on how far and how fast they can charge. With this system, it allows the maximum performance from a charge standpoint. You can put more charge into the battery in extremely cold temperatures, and therefore more range.

Marakby says that liquid cooling is more effective for regulating lithium-ion battery temperatures than an air-cooling system on the larger, more complex battery packs used in electric

The sealed battery retains the temperature for some time, he says, and will stay within its ideal range on the daily drive.



A long lifespan is a good thing

Ford Ranger and Mazda B-Series are inexpensive and solid used truck buys

SECOND GEAR



The Ford Ranger and Mazda B-Series pickups might be the longest-lived models on the Canadian market.

With a lifespan from 1998 to 2010, these small, cross-branded pickups lived from 1998 to 2010 with minimal changes.

Cheap, capable and reliable, they offered plenty of selection to shoppers after anything from a simple two-wheel drive work truck to a nicely loaded 4x4.

Low used prices and good overall reliability make these trucks worthy contenders for your used

What's the 4-1-1

 Model: 1998 to 2007 Ford Ranger/Mazda B-Series
 Vehicle Type: Pickup

pickup dollars.

Selection is tremendous. Depending on the year and model selected, used shoppers can look for numerous engine, transmission, drivetrain and body configurations.

Also depending on the year and model in question, feature content included such goodies as tire pressure monitoring, tip-up rear seats, ABS brakes, fog lamps, chrome accents and power accessories.

Engine options included a 2.5-litre four-cylinder with 120 horsepower, and



both three and four-litre V6 units with 150 or 160 horsepower, respectively. From 2001 and on, a new four-litre V6 engine ramped output up to 200 horsepower.

What Owners Like

Owners seem most satisfied with the styling, comfort, interior space, legroom, offroad capability and overall value of their trucks.

Depending on the model in question, ride quality is also highly rated, and depending on the equipped engine, some owners even report good fuel mileage. Confident trailer towing and 4x4 operation round out the package.

What Owners Dislike

Common complaints include small rear seats, subpar power output with the smaller engines, a bouncy ride (depending on the model), excessive fuel consumption with the larger engines, and a big turning

"Clumsy" rear doors and limited headroom for taller

drivers and passengers round out the list of common complaints.

Common Issues

Check your potential used Ranger or B-Series for rust at the rear cab corners, lower portions of the doors, driver's floor board, around the wheelwells, on the bottom of the tailgate, and on the corners of the roof.

Owner's forums also suggest checking for cracks or leaks from the differentials and transfer case.

Ensure the transfer case

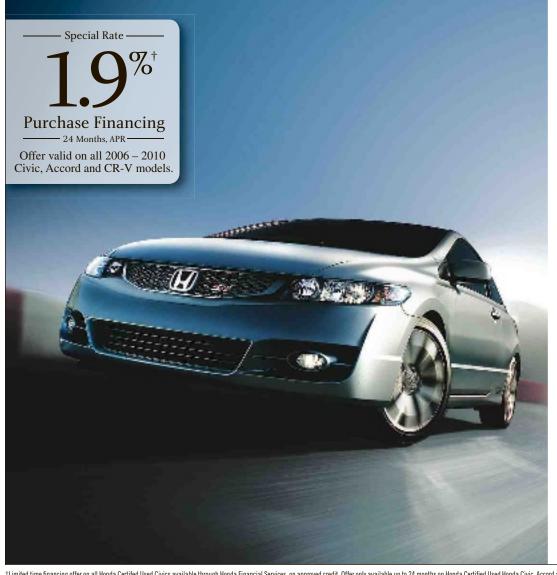
switches between its various drive modes as outlined in the owner's manual, and note that any unwelcomed vibrations or sounds from beneath the vehicle could be the result of a worn out or damaged suspension component or driveshaft.

Finally, note the quality of the gear shift between second and third on models with the automatic transmission. If the transmission feels like its slipping or "flaring" during said shift, there's likely a problem with a gearshift solenoid in the transmission.

The Verdict

Search for as new a used model as possible, and note that a Ford or Mazda mechanic will be familiar with how to search for any potential issues.

The low price of a used Ranger or B-Series, as well as its overall value and looks will be its biggest draw



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- 21 "Whadja say?"
- 22 Female red deer
- 23 Mueller's org.
- 26 Scarlet
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- 33 Massage
- 35 Harvard rival
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- 40 Sodium hydroxide 41 Commotions
- 43 Galley tool
- 45 Lectern
- 47 Blurry spot
- 51 Historic times
- 52 "Don't go in there!" 54 Riga resident
- 55 Excessively
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- 57 Adversaries
- 58 Height of fashion? 59 Detail, for short

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How to play

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Yesterday's answer ▶

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BREAKFAST TELEVISION

A look at the weather

TODAY Min 1° Max 15° THURSDAY

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Max 17°

FRIDAY Min 7°



(BT) Jenna Khan, Weather Specialist

"Weather impacts everything we do Providina the information you need before you head out that door and take on the day is the best part of i take on the day is the best part of my morning." WEEKDAYS 6AM

Today's horoscope

T Aries March 21-April 20 You want good times to last but you know they won't — nothing does. Taurus April 21-May 21 Always remember there is a good

side to everything, if you know how to look at it II Gemini May 22-June 21

A loved one is worried about your methods. Ask yourself if there is a better way to reach your goal.

Gancer June 22-July 22 There's no point in arguing with an employer today. They will refuse to see things your way.

Ω Leo July 23-Aug.23 You are bold enough to carve your own path through life: You don't need favours from powerful people.

TV Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You want to reprimand someone who has let you down, but you'll make a better impression if you forgive. **△ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23** If you want time and space for yourself. others will totally understand.

M Scorpio oct. 24-Nov. 22 Like it or not, the only thing you can change is yourself. That's your sole responsibility. Improve yourself.

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V Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20.

You don't have to force others to follow your lead. Try persuasion. Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You will shy away from a commitment that you know just isn't your kind of thing. Be true to yourself.)-(Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. It

may seem as if your hopes have

been dashed but it's not true. Be

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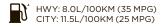
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